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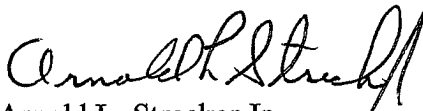
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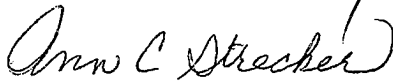
I am a life long resident and third generation farmer on Roberts Island in the South Delta. My grandfather established this farm in 1895. The house which sits upon this land was built by my grandparents in 1910. I raised my children, the fourth generation here.

Most recently, two strategies came from the Delta Risk Management process. These are two plans to use Roberts Island as a floodway, much like the Yolo Bypass.

I wish to go on record as **OPPOSING** these plans, as either one would be the end of my business, my heritage, and my home. I'm not a selfish person; there are plenty of other people on this island with a similar story, or potential greater loss. Since neither of these strategies was mentioned at the Delta Visions meeting, in Stockton on August 28, 2008, I can't help but think that they were hastily contrived. Either of these plans are an inappropriate and misguided land and water grab.



Arnold L. Strecker Jr.



Ann C. Strecker

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